

**PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN THE APPLICATION OF: : CASE NO.: DM-6904-A
LAM et al :
SERIAL NO.: 09/924,381 : ART UNIT: 1624
FILED: August 8, 2001 : EXAMINER: Truong, T.
FOR: NOVEL GUANIDINE MIMICS AS FACTOR XA INHIBITORS

Dated: July 9, 2002

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated May 6, 2002,
Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of
the following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENT

please amend the above identified application, without
waiver or prejudice, as follows.

**Amend the specification by inserting before the first line
of the first paragraph:**

a1 -- This application is a divisional application of U.S.
application Ser. No. 09/099,358 filed on June 18, 1998 and
issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,339,099 on January 15, 2002,
which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No.
60/050,265 filed on June 20, 1997. --

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